

Office of Child Protection – Transition Team

On June 10, 2014, the Board of Supervisors approved calling for the adoption of the Final Report of the Blue Ribbon Commission and the Creation of Transition Team to monitor implementation. The roles and responsibilities for the Transition Team, until the Office of Child Protection is created, is as follows:

1. Work with the Board of Supervisors to provide input as to the job description, desired qualities and experience for the Director of the Office of Child Protection (OCP). Meet prospective candidates and make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors. The Board will interview the candidates and select the Director of OCP.
2. Make recommendations to the Board as to size and scope of the OCP, with the final determination to be made by the Board.
3. Work with CEO and other relevant County departments who provide child protection services to prioritize the recommendations.
4. Review and provide input to the County assessment of Medical Hubs and Public Health Nurses programs designed to identify each Hub's strengths and weaknesses and recommend a plan for immediate implementation to meet the needs of each geographic area.
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5. Review and provide input to the County assessment of Public Health Nurses and recommend a plan for optimizing the use of Public Health Nurses to strengthen the child protection system.
- 5.6. Provide formal advice to the Board regarding recommendations for child safety, until the new, overarching Office of Child Protection is created to act as a unified coordinating entity.
- 6.7. Work with Chief Executive to determine the cost of the implementation and identify a source of funding, where possible, for Board of Supervisor approval and execution.
8. Review the work of other integrative services initiatives within the County.
9. Identify how the County can best engage the community in child protection efforts.
- 7.10. Report back to the Board of Supervisors each month beginning August 5, 2014, on the status of implementing the recommendations and request that the Chair of the Board place this matter as a set item.